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COMMENTS:
William Michael Johnson
SSN: [redacted] B6
Pending Presidential Pardon Request

Privacy Act Release Form

As your Congressman, I am here to help you with problems you may have with federal agencies. I cannot order any agency to change its rules or procedures, but I can ask that government offices act as quickly as possible and give you a fair shake.

The Privacy Act of 1974 says that we can not act on your behalf unless you give us written permission. Without your written authorization, we will be unable to start working on your case. Please complete the following release form and send it to:

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NAME: Bill Johnson (William Michael)
ADDRESS: [redacted]
Ooltewah TN 37363
TELEPHONE (H) [redacted] **(W)** [redacted]
E-MAIL [redacted] **DATE of BIRTH** [redacted]
SS# [redacted] **VA#** _____
IMMIGRATION/ALIEN # _____
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I authorize CONGRESSMAN ZACH WAMP or any member of his staff to obtain information about Status report on Presidential Pardon request.

1. Please explain your situation in detail.
I've been told it is still under consideration Has been over 3 years. Want to be sure it is given all fair & due consideration in a timely manner

2. Have you contacted any other local, state, or federal department or agency? If so, who did you talk with and what was the result? Give as much detail as possible including agency name and phone number.

None... other than DOJ.

POC: Hope McGowan

3. What help do you need from Congressman Wamp?

SIGNATURE:

Your signature is required after you have answered each question.

U. S. Department of Justice

Pardon Attorney

Washington, D.C. 20530

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The Honorable Zach Wamp
Federal Courthouse
900 Georgia Avenue, Suite 126
Chattanooga, Tennessee 37402

Dear Congressman Wamp:

This is in response to your communication of September 21, 2006 to the Department of Justice concerning your constituent, William Michael Johnson. Mr. Johnson has applied for a pardon of his 1984 conviction in the Eastern District of Tennessee for mail fraud.

Mr. Johnson's pardon application was received in the Office of the Pardon Attorney on January 24, 2003, and is still under consideration. As we have advised Mr. Johnson directly, the processing time for a pardon application can be lengthy, and we can give no prediction or assurance as to when final action will be taken by the White House. We will advise Mr. Johnson promptly, however, when a decision is made. In the meantime, he may be assured that his case is being given fair and appropriate consideration.

I appreciate your interest in Mr. Johnson's case.

Sincerely,

Roger C Adams

Roger C. Adams
Pardon Attorney

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December 14, 2000

The Honorable Janet Reno
Attorney General
U. S. Department of Justice
Constitution Avenue And Tenth Street N
Washington, DC 20530--000

RE: James Michael Garren SS# [redacted]

Dear Attorney General:

I am writing to you on behalf of James Michael Garren and enclosing information for your review.

I would appreciate your looking into this matter and providing me with any information you may have about this so that I can respond to my constituent.

If you have any questions or concerns, please contact Beckie Hawks in my Chattanooga office at 423-756-2342. Thank you and I look forward to hearing from you soon.

Warmest regards,

Zach

Zach Wamp
Member of Congress

ZW:bh

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Date: 12/6/2000

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NAME: JAMES MICHAEL GARREN

ADDRESS: [redacted]

OCOEE, TN. 37361

TELEPHONE (H) [redacted] (W) [redacted]

BIRTHDATE [redacted] SS# [redacted]

VA # N/A IMMIGRATION/ALIEN # N/A

WORKERS COMPENSATION # N/A OTHER # N/A

I authorize CONGRESSMAN ZACH WAMP or any member of his staff to obtain information about PENDING PRESIDENTIAL PARDON

1. Please explain your situation in detail.

I APPLIED FOR THE PARDON SEVERAL YEARS AGO. I HAVE BEEN UNABLE TO FIND OUT THE STATUS OF THE CASE AND WHY IT HAS TAKEN SO LONG.

YOUR NAME: JAMES M. GARREN

2. Have you contacted any other Local, State, or Federal Department or agency? If so, who did

you talk with and what was the result? Give as much detail as possible including agency name and phone number.

(1.) CONGRESSMAN DUNCAN'S OFFICE IN ATHENS, TN.
LINDA HIGDON 423-745-4671.

(2.) SENATOR FRED THOMPSON'S OFFICE BY E-MAIL AND PHONE. I SPOKE WITH LAURA - 615-736-9129 NASHVILLE

(3.) SENATOR BILL FRIST'S OFFICE IN NASHVILLE BY E-MAIL AND PHONE

3. What help do you need from Congressman Wamp?

I NEED THE CONGRESSMAN TO FIND OUT IF THIS PARDON IS STILL BEING CONSIDERED. ALSO, I HOPE HE CAN GET THEM TO TAKE SOME KIND OF ACTION ON THIS MATTER. I FEEL THAT A SUFFICIENT AMOUNT OF TIME HAS PASSED. PRESIDENT CLINTON PARDONED A DEAD CIVIL WAR SOLDIER DURING HIS TERM. THAT IS A WASTE OF TAX PAYERS TIME AND MONEY WHEN YOU HAVE REAL PEOPLE OUT HERE WAITING WITH THEIR LIVES ON HOLD.

SIGNATURE: [signature]

NAME: JAMES M. GARREN.

FURTHER COMMENTS: FIRST OF ALL, I WOULD LIKE TO THANK YOU FOR EVEN RESPONDING TO MY REQUEST. THIS HAS BEEN A VERY LONG AND UP HILL BATTLE FOR ME. I FELT LIKE IN WHAT I HAVE SEEN IN CONGRESSMAN WAMP THAT HE REALLY FIGHTS ON ISSUES HE BELIEVES IN. I REALLY FEEL LIKE HE CAN HELP ME IN THIS MATTER. I DID RECENTLY RECEIVE A CALL FROM LAURA IN SENATOR THOMPSON'S OFFICE IN NASHVILLE. SHE TOLD ME SHE HAD CHECKED INTO THIS AND IT WAS STILL PENDING. AT LEAST I KNOW IT'S STILL THERE BUT WHY IN THE WORLD IS IT TAKING SO LONG. I REALIZE THERE ARE MORE IMPORTANT ISSUES BUT IT REALLY UPSETS ME THAT THEY CAN PARDON DEAD PEOPLE AND NOT THE LIVING AND SUFFERING. THANK YOU AND GOD BLESS.

James M. Garren

U. S. Department of Justice

Pardon Attorney

Washington, D.C. 20530

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The Honorable Zach Wamp
Member, U.S. House of Representatives
Federal Building, Suite 126
900 Georgia Avenue
Chattanooga, Tennessee 37402

Dear Congressman Wamp:

This is in response to your December 14, 2000, letter to Attorney General Reno requesting information concerning the status of the application for presidential pardon of your constituent, James Michael Garren.

Mr. Garren's application for pardon was docketed in this office on January 20, 1998, and is currently under consideration. The processing time for a pardon application is lengthy, and we can give no assurance that final action will be taken by the President within a particular time frame. Accordingly, we are unable to advise you or Mr. Garren when he may expect a decision on his application. He will, however, be notified promptly when this occurs.

We appreciate your interest in Mr. Garren's case.

Sincerely,

Roger C. Adams

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